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"All this was known to the prisoner's former counsel, and I told Justice Erlanger of it in confidence. Acting upon what I knew I issued my warrant, and whether that warrant was valid or not his ball was discharged.

"All that the defendant's counsel has said here could have been stated to Justice Erlanger, and if there was any question to be adjudicated he would have adjudicated it."

Had to Act Quickly.

Mr. Karlin insisted that the District Attorney's action in the case was most unusual and against all precedent. Mr. Jerome replied that the proceeding was common and had been resorted to in many instances by him since he became District Attorney.

"It is a necessary proceeding," said the District Attorney, "in cases of this kind, when we have either got to act quickly or run the risk of a prisoner jumping his bail and getting out of the country."

Justice Gerard dismissed the writ and remanded the prisoner.

Unable to furnish the \$25,000 bail fixed by Justice Erlanger on Friday last, when he was committed under the District Attorney's warrant, Fischer-Hansen was taken back to the Tombs.

HANSEN IS HELD FOR TRIAL UNDER BRIBERY CHARGE.

Carl Fischer-Hansen was arrested with his partner, Alexander Michaelson, on an indictment charging him with having bribed witnesses in the trial of the O'Brien extortion case last June.

The two, who had offices at No. 346 Broadway, were counsel for Tony Macaluso, who made serious allegations against Joseph E. O'Brien, a Philadelphia contractor. O'Brien charged that Fischer-Hansen had made him give up the \$15,000 by threatening to bring him to trial on Macaluso's charges. They set up that they had collected the money for Macaluso in good faith, and had kept no more of it than was their due as the boy's lawyers. In the trial of the case every effort was made to exploit the nature of the charges against O'Brien.

Tony Macaluso's testimony, which was relied upon by the prosecution to show that Fischer-Hansen and his partner had blackmailed O'Brien, underwent radical changes during the progress of the case. When the two were acquitted the District Attorney's office continued its surveillance of the lawyers, and detectives were constantly working among their employees and the later associates of Macaluso.

On the basis of the reports of these detectives the case against Fischer-Hansen and Michaelson for bribery was made out and they were arrested on Jan. 13 last. The witnesses against them were Joseph C. De Varona, formerly Fischer-Hansen's private secretary, and Arthur Klesow, a former employee of District Attorney Jerome's office, who testified to having been go-betweens for the lawyers in their dealings with Macaluso. Elizabeth Weibel, a telephone girl, told of carrying money from Michaelson and Louis Lebovitz to Macaluso while the O'Brien prosecution was going on.

Fischer-Hansen has been a disturbing element in New York for years. He was one of the counsel for his brother-in-law, W. Gould Brokaw, in the proceedings instigated by the Pollitt sisters, and the sisters caused the arrest of several men who said they were his private detectives.

He had a fight with his former partner in the real estate business, Clifford N. Shuman, in the Fifth Municipal Court in 1905, which resulted in a fine and the blackmarking of a well known society woman was hinted at. He exploited the story that Capt. Christmas had come to the country to bribe a number of Government officials to influence this Government to buy the Danish West Indies. He was given to influence this Government to buy the Danish West Indies. He was given to influence this Government to buy the Danish West Indies.

SYDNEY SMITH'S WIFE WILL TAKE CHILDREN ABROAD

Mrs. Sydney J. Smith with her two boys will sail for Europe on Saturday. Her departure, it was announced today by a friend of the Smiths, heralds the announcement that Referee Albert Ritchie, of No. 76 William street, has recommended that Mrs. Smith be granted a divorce from her husband, the wealthy young Southern gentleman friend of William K. Vanderbilt Jr.

Mrs. Smith, who is a warm personal friend of Mrs. Vanderbilt, has closed her town house at No. 4 East Eighty-sixth street. She is stopping with her mother, Mrs. E. N. Tallor, of No. 11 Washington Square North. Since Mrs. Smith's return from the West Indies, where he was cruising with Mr. Vanderbilt on the latter's yacht Tarentula, he has resumed his business affairs at No. 45 William street, where he conducts a real estate office.

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BAREFOOT GIRLS IN FIRE PANIC AT HOTEL ALBANY

Stage Beauties Swarm From All Floors, Some With Dogs, All With Jewels.

SNOW NIPS PINK FEET.

Fourth Fire in 8 Months Destroys Adjoining Building—Hotel Escapes Damage.

Every fire alarm in the Hotel Albany, Forty-first street and Broadway, began clanging at 3 o'clock this morning, and at the same moment the two hundred guests in the hotel were ordered by telephone to hurry to the office.

Almost immediately fire, which had started next door in the four-story building at No. 146 Broadway, sprang up through the roof, and when the flames shot over against the brick wall of the hotel, some one in the larger building yelled "Fire!"

None of the guests in the hotel took time to dress. Such an exodus of undressed chorus girls Broadway has never seen. They came from the nine floors in swarms, screaming as they came. Some carried dogs; all carried bags, which they said contained their jewels.

Four Fires in Eight Months. The house at No. 146 Broadway has been on fire four times in the last eight months. These fires have always been of sufficient danger to empty the Hotel Albany. The first floor of the building is occupied by a saloon run by George Horn, who recently came here from Chicago. The three upper floors are occupied by Rigoletto's restaurant.

Charles Warren, a bartender in Horn's employ, discovered the fire after it had gained some headway. The blaze had started from defective insulation under the stairway on the second floor.

There were six cooks, or assistant cooks and assistant assistant cooks on the fourth floor, but Warren forgot all about them. He hooted it to Forty-second street in front of the Metropolitan Hotel and sounded the alarm. Then he ran back and began yelling.

The fire ate through the stairs and then cracked the windows looking out on the Albany before the cooks and their assistants were aroused. The kitchen workers started down the stairs. They didn't wear pajamas. They were in too big a hurry to select the proper shades of color, so they just came in a hurry, only to be driven back by the flaming stairs.

Escape Down the Ladders. Only men used to hot stoves could have stood the heat and smoke that came up into the fourth floor when the cooks, et al., poked their heads out of the fourth story window and began to yell.

When the firemen came they raised ladders and the fat cooks and helpers scrambled down the ladders.

James A. Casey, night clerk in the Albany, said the real hero in the hotel. Mr. Casey heard the cry next door, he looked out along Broadway. Then he got busy. With an umbrella he smashed the fire-alarm box, which notified Chief Croker that the Hotel Albany was blazing, and sent in a second alarm for the firemen.

Displayed Pink "Cinderellas." Among the guests in the Albany whose pink feet were nipped and who were rescued from death or worse—missing the fire and excitement—were the chorus girls in the "Stubburn Cinderella" company, now playing at the Broadway Theatre. These girls weren't stubburn that any one could notice this morning, and every one of them managed to display pink "Cinderellas" from beneath their night gown or pajama, whichever she happened to wear.

The fire was at its height when some of the Old Guard, fresh from a late supper at the Old Guard hall, came along Broadway, their brass buttons shining, their sabres clanking and sweet young things clinging to their arms.

"Get back!" ordered Lieut. Noble, who was in charge of the police about the fire lines.

"I'm a soldier," ventured one "Old Guard," and he reached for his sabre. A policeman asked him with a night stick, and the Old Guard was routed.

For two hours the firemen fought the blaze. The building at No. 146 was practically deserted. The Albany didn't suffer a cent's damage, but the guests had a most thrilling experience—so did the dogs.

THREE DIE IN FIRE.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 4.—Three lives were lost in a fire which last night destroyed the home of Mrs. Frank Lathrop, near Brentwood. The victims were Mrs. Lathrop's two sons, William and Frank, aged fifteen and twenty-five years respectively, and George Burton, 16, a cousin who had been visiting them.

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